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We hope that you enjoy this fine selection of songs. If you do then let us know and let the bands know. It's for you!

Cess Van Der Valke

porcupine tree

mute

Porcupine Tree were formed in 1985 from members of a dead prog band called Pride of Passion (featuring ex-Marillion boys Diz Minitt and Brian Jelliman). Delirium Records signed up Porcupine Tree and put out some stuff on a compilation album (with Ozric Tentacles and Magic Mushroom Band), and since then they have built up a massive underground following. They have had regular air play on Radio One with a session on Mark Radcliffe's show on December 6th widening their popularity. Their CD sales have now reached almost thirty thousand copies world-wide.

line up:

Steve Wilson	- Guitars and Vocals
Chris Maitland	- Drums
Richard Barbieri (ex-Japan)	- Keyboards

Discography

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Up the Downstair - (CD album, June 1993)
Voyage 34 - Phase III + IV - (12" single, each side over 20 minutes - Nov 93)

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ark

say goodbye

ARK were formed in 1986 by Ant Short, Pete Wheatley, Steve Harris, Andy Harris and Dave Robins. After releasing several demo tapes, the band won the 1988 "Battle Of The Bands" competition, but lost Andy in the process. Luckily, John Jowlett joined in time to record the "Dreams Of Mr Jones" album. Richard Deane replaced Dave just before they recorded the "New Scientist" EP. In 1990, the lure of international fame and sex was too much for John Jowlett, so he left to join IQ. He was replaced by Gel Newey, whilst Richard Deane was replaced by Paul Rogers. The new line up went into the studio to record 1992's "Cover Me With Rain" opus. The band have just completed work on the second part of their two album set "Spiritual Physics". "The Black Album" came out earlier in the year, and "The White Album" will be out soon.

line up:

Ant Short	Vocals
Pete Wheatley	Guitars
Gel Newey	Bass
Steve Harris	Keyboards
Paul Rogers	Drums

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moria falls

grasping air

This relatively new band were formed at Hatfield Polytechnic in 1990. After an almost total line up change, prog rock was the music that they yearned to play. The musicians unashamedly take their influences from GENESIS, Floyd, Yes, It Bites, Marillion, IQ and Pallas. They've recently started gigging again and boast that their shortest song is over 8 minutes long and they have three songs that last at least 20 minutes!

They hope to get a deal and release a CD in Autumn.

Line up:

Miff	Vocals
Glen Sanderman	Guitar
Patrick Darlington	Bass
Dave White	Keyboards
Richard Jordan	Drums

This track, Grasping Air, is taken from their new demo 'Bright Lights - White Noise' available (for only £3.00) from;

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ming fighters

sleeze

This fine young band from Cumbria where formed in 1990 by Frank Dunneries nephew John Dunnery. They recorded some shit-hot stuff which impressed local businessman Mark Robson, who signed them to his own Robson Records prog-label.

After losing their keyboard player and slimming down to a three piece, the music took a harder direction, although they are now auditioning possible replacements.

line up:

John Dunnery	Guitar and Vocals
Wayne Wilkinson	Bass and backing vocals
Iain Taylor	Drums and backing vocals

Demo Tapes Available,

Take me to Bed	(4 tracks 1993)	£3.00
Hometown	(3 tracks 1992)	£2.50

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melt

aqua nuime

Melt is the long awaited solo project from Galahads erstwhile frontman, Stuart Nicholson. "Aqua Nuime" is the first track to be heard from his forthcoming "Galatasaray" album that he's been working on while the rest of his band have been finishing the "Sleepers" album. Stu plays all the instruments on this track. Stu has also been helping fellow Bournemouth band Big Big Train with their new CD "Goodbye To The Age Of Steam" to be released early next year.

line up:

Stu Nicholson Vocals + everything

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blue heat

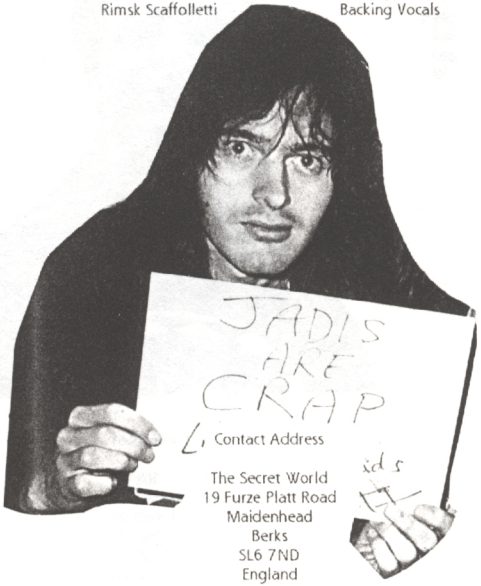
the vision

Recorded at Thin Ice Studios, Spring 1993. This studio-based project was the mastermind of musical genius Dave Sparrow, along with Karl Gloom (Shadowlands, Threshold, Strangers on a Train), and Damian Wilson (ex Threshold, ex-Landmarq, La Salle). This song also features two Silhobbit writers on backing vocals, namely Charlie O'Mara and Rimsk Scaffolletti. Damian Wilson has now left to join US metal band, La Salle. The glamorous Tracey Hitchings has been widely tipped by those in the know to fill his shoes on future releases.

line up:

Damian Wilson	Vocals
Karl Gloom	Guitars
Dave Sparrow	Keyboards
London Community Gospel Choir	Backing Vocals
Charlie O'Mara	Backing Vocals
Rimsk Scaffolletti	Backing Vocals

Guitarist Karl Groom can be such a bitch!



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fridge

katherine

Fridge were a two piece classic rock band but have now enrolled a bass and keyboard player onto their melodic ship. They have wooed the English prog lovers with their brand of acoustic melodies not unsimilar to the Anthony Phillips school of music.

This song was recorded at the band's own studio in Aylesbury with financial backing from millionaire prog enthusiast Brian Lane, who spotted this cool outfit at The Cock Inn, a pub situated in the depths of rural Bedfordshire.

Now the band have built up a large local following and now hope to record an album in March.

line up:

Tim Hooper	Lead and Acoustic Guitar and vocals
Peter Kelly	12 string Guitar and vocals
Steve Bowe	Keyboards

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exodus wieczorne

Polish prog band formed in the 70's. They played many concerts in the Soviet Union, Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Germany. During this time they recorded two albums and six singles but during the mid eighties the polish prog scene collapsed taking many bands down with it.

The band were fronted by two brothers who have gone on to have pop success as producers in their own modern and highly popular studio. Lovers of Exodus are pleased that SI and Musea both stock the band's CD.

line up:

Powek Birula	Vocals
Wojciech Puczynski	Bass
Andrzej Puczynski	Guitar
Wkadyskaw Komendarek	Keyboards
Zbigniew Fyk	Drums

Exodus CD's are available from

SI Music
PO Box 938
3000 AX Rotterdam
Holland

MUSEA
68 La Tinchotte
57117 Retonfey
France

dethlehem

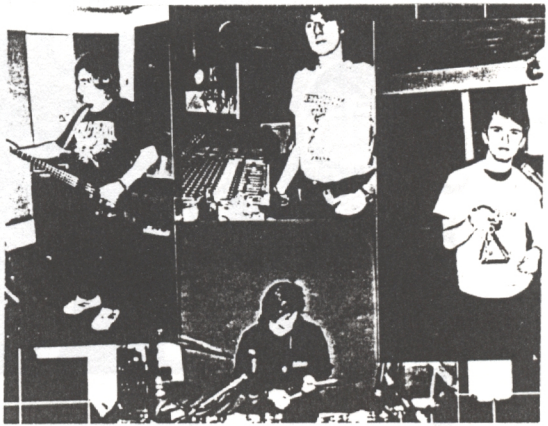
666 is the number

Satanic Proggers from Belgium, this band finally split up due to public outrage in 1989. Fronted by ex-Black Beans vocalist Rodrigo Veelson, they had many line-up changes before recording this song for the soundtrack to the Belgium film "Let The Be Pain and Suffering". Their lyrics were seen too sick and perverse for commercial success and so they became a cult band, known for their enigmatic vocals and fast Rush-like riffs.

There has been much talk of a re-union, although it would certainly be without their regular drummer Adam van Walnier, who now refuses to have any connection with his old band.

line up:

Rodrigo Veelson	Vocals
Marc Bishop	Bass
Ritchie Fretscorcher	Guitar, Keyboards
Adam van Walnier	Drums



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the ents

musical box (closing section)

Prog outfit formed as a protest to the Sellafield Nuclear Plant in 1978 in Cumbria. This song was taken from the unreleased triple album "Moonmadness in the Light of the North Star", which will probably, sadly, never see the light of day due to legal wrangles.

The Ents only ever gig on the anniversary of their existence and it's always in Cumbria. They have proved that they love prog by making sure that their music stays within the boundaries of obscurity and they are proud that their music is available on vinyl only.

line up:

Malcolm Wicker	Vocals, Flute
Selywn Tullett	Guitar, Mandolin
Peter-John Minkinds	Bass, Pedals
Tim Mileslong	Keyboards
Dicky Dickson	Drums, Bells

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ying tolkien

stealing the crystals

Oriental proggers who head the Japanese prog-rock revival in the Far East. They were formed in 1982 and then split up a few years later. They re-formed and recorded an album on their own Chop Suey label in 1988. They became known for their live performances and supported Marillion on their 1990 World Tour in Japan and Taiwan. A bust up with their management has kept them quiet whilst the legal wrangles are sorted. Teru Hiru (our Japanese contact) informs us that they hope to play some European shows within the next year or so.

line up:

Nirrikato Wokanbe	Vocals
Kazuyoshi Miura	Lead Guitar
Tetsuji Hasthiratani	Guitar
Takeda Matsushita	Keyboards
Fumitake Miura	Bass
Kitazawa	Drums
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iq

stomach of animal

Every one knows about IQ and so there is nothing much to say, other than that this track was recorded at the Herringthorpe Leisure Centre in Rotherham on 24th September 1993. The gig was arranged by the Classic Rock Society, who do an excellent job for prog rock music. Good to see that the band are still having fun!

line up:

Peter Nicholls	Vocals
Mike Holmes	Guitar
Marvin Orford	Keyboards
John Jowlett	Bass
Paul Cook	Drums

IQ

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shadowland

snakes and ladders

Shadowlands have had phenomenal success since they were formed two years ago. Their debut album "Ring of Roses" is the best seller on the Dutch SI record label and that is no mean feat. All the writing is done by Pendragon keyboardist and top musician Clive Nolan.

Snakes and Ladders is previously unreleased, although it is available on a video containing live footage and interviews entitled "Blowing the Whistle" for £11 from The Secret World.

This instrumental track features Richard West, the chap who did much of the live keyboard work whilst Clive Nolan sang. The band have a new album released in February called "Mindgames" and the stuff that I've heard already is amazing !!!

line up:

Clive Nolan	Vocals, keyboards
Karl Gloòm	Guitar
Ian Salmon	Bass
Nick Harradence	Drums

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grace

the holyman

Grace initially formed at Stoke Art College in the early 70's. They brought out two albums, "GRACE" and "GRACE LIVE" then spilt just as the prog rock revival got under way. Lucky old Marillion. They sort of reformed as WHITE DOOR and got signed to ZTT and brought out an album called "WINDOWS" which sold a couple of thousand. White Door split and reformed as the original Grace a couple of years back. Since then they've released a superb album, "The Poet, The Piper and the Fool" and played loads of storming gigs, including Whitchurch, in July. This track, "The Holyman" was recorded there.

line up:

Mac Austin	Vocals
Good Prince Harry	Sax + Stuff
Dave Edge	Guitars
Marcus Price	Keyboards
Dave Rushton	Bass
Tony Hall	Drums

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steve christey band

tug boat over the river styx

Steve Christey is better known as the drummer from Jadis rather than a solo star. Much of his writing was seen as unsuitable for a band like Jadis, so he recorded an albums worth of solo material which may possibly released in Spring.

Steve confesses that doing solo projects helps get him away from the hubbub of the Jadis camp and gives him the breathing space that he needs.

This track was recorded at Kleve Stadthalle during his solo European tour.

line up:
Steve Christey Drums

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cake airbasket

bizza the heen

The legendary Prog band who influenced the likes of Genesis and Floyd have kindly donated this 'live in the studio' session which was broadcast on Iceland's Radio Svendlic in 1973. Originally the track was part of the epic "HAM" album before they changed their name to the more progressive Cake AirBasket.

Unlike other stadium rock bands, Cake AirBasket still hold firmly onto the progressive values that have been cruelly lost by other bands (Genesis). The word on the prog vine is that the band will do a final world tour in 1995. Until then you'll have to make do with a good recording of the ending section of "Beeza the Heen"

line up:

Big James Headcase	Guitar
Lolly van Dyer	Bass
Fancy Fred Hogril	Drums
Morgan Dyer	Keyboards

CAKE AirBasket

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kashmiri twist aimless

Formed in 1993 in response, and as a result of Jadis' well publisised sell-out going for a less commercial market.

Said lead guitarist Phil Mason "They used to look all cute and write catchy little 3 minute love songs appealing to a chart orientated market, but as soon as they got signed they grew their hair long and started playing namby-pamby 12 minuters to 'real' prog-rock fans".

Kashmir Twist say "bollocks" to Jadis with their unique style of playing by perversely crossing in on the prog-sensibilities.

Main influences are Cake AirBasket, Very early Genesis ('68 Silent Sun type of thing), and A-Ha.

Line up :

Phil Mason	Vocals and Guitar
Jan Novelle	Guitar
Kriz 'Jac' Jack	Bass
Pete Malone	Drums

Kashmir Twist have a three track tape available for £1.50 (inc. p+p).

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strangers on a train
outside in (18)

This is a totally previously unreleased track which may offend some younger listeners. The band recorded this as a demo for the album, although the three of them were all very drunk at the time and got a bit carried away. This version has been slightly edited cutting out any sexual references.

Strangers on a Train have now done two albums and the recent "Labyrinth" has Pallas' Alan Reed joining in.

The original version of "Outside In" can be found on "The Key" CD.

line up:

Clive Nolan	Keyboards, Vocals, Groping
Tracey Hitchens	Vocals, Screeching
Karl Gloom	Guitar, Bass

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Now, a really big THANKS to all the bands who have let us use their material on this tape. Thanks to Porcupine Tree, Ark, Moria Falls, Ming Fighters, Stu Nicholson, Karl and Damian, Fridge, Exodus, Dethlehem, The Ents, Ying Tolkien, IQ, Shadowlands, Grace, Steve Christey, Cake AirBasket, Kashmiri Twist and Strangers on a Train.

Thirdly, THANKS to all the boys and girls at Silhobbit who have helped with the choice of tracks, bands, cheese, design of the booklet and cover and all the rest.

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